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SUBJECT:KOBELINSKI BIO

1. MITCHELL P. KOBELINSKI OF CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, WAS SWORN IN ON JULY 17, 1973 AS A DIRECTOR OF THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES, WITH SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES FOR AFRICA AND EASTERN EUROPE. MR. KOBELINSKI HAS BEEN VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND TRUST OFFICER, PARKWAY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, AND DIRECTOR AND GENERAL COUNSEL, FIRST STATE BANK OF CHICAGO. HE WAS A CO-FOUNDER AND ORGANIZER OF BOTH CHICAGO INSTITUTIONS.

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2. MR. KOBELINSKI HOLDS A BACHELOR OF PHILOSOPHY (1948)

FROM LOYOLA UNIVERSITY AND A JURIS DOCTOR (1950) FROM LOYOLA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW. HE WAS ADMITTED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THE ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT IN 1950 AND BEFORE THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT IN 1958.

3. FOLLOWING A YEAR IN GENERAL PRACTICE, MR. KOBELINSKI BEGAN HIS 22 YEARS IN BANKING IN 1951, AS ASSISTANT TRUST OFFICER WITH EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO. HE WAS APPOINTED TRUST OFFICER OF THAT INSTITUTION AT THE AGE OF 26. WHILE STILL CONTINUING HIS BANKING CAREER, MR. KOBELINSKI WAS A PARTNER IN A CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE BUSINESS FROM 1960 TO 1967. IT WAS DURING THIS PERIOD THAT HE TOOK PART IN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE PARKWAY BANK

(1963) AND ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INSURANCE COMPANY. MR. KOBELINSKI ALSO HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN NUMEROUS CIVIC AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES. RUSH

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